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JOHNSTON LETTER.

School Commencement. Civic League and Angeline Bacon Chapter Met. Musicians Decide Upon Study.

The commencement of the High School will begin on Friday evening, June 1, 8:30 o'clock. This will be a recital of the music class, and a full program is arranged. The play, "Billy's Chorus Girl," will conclude the evening exercises. For the benefit of the piano fund an admission of 25 cents will be charged. The commencement sermon will be preached by Dr. J. A. Brunson of Sumter in the auditorium of the High School. The graduating exercises will be held on Monday evening, there being eleven graduates. Instead of the usual address a play, "Sweet Girl Graduate," will be given by the graduates. This promises to be delightful.

The Civic League met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Hattie Bruce, the meeting being conducted by Mrs. S. J. Watson. The chief matters of the meeting was first in deciding to purchase a number of carbage cans to place at intervals on the streets. Clean-up-day will be May 31, and extra trash wagons have been provided for, and it is hoped that every one will co-operate. Miss Sumner, who is a State lecturer on tuberculosis, had written that she could lecture for the league on the 29th, and plans were made for this. The yard contest was brought up, and the committee will make the tour about the first part of June.

The Angeline Bacon Chapter, C. of C., held a most enthusiastic and interesting meeting with Miss Frances Turner on Thursday afternoon. These young people, under the leadership of Mrs. P. B. Waters, are doing splendid work, and the program that they had was a delightful one. The truths of the Confederacy will never die with such to perpetuate it. After the program the hostess served refreshing ices and cake, and later all went into the pergola to chat and enjoy the flowers.

A most beautiful reception was that of Saturday afternoon, given by Mesdames H. W. Crouch and L. S. Maxwell, in honor of Mrs. Julius Vann of Trenton, a bride of last week. This home, so well adapted for large social affairs, was lovely in decorations of pink roses in great profusion, and shower baskets hung at all the door ways. Mrs. Earl Crouch welcomed the guests and Miss Ida Satcher carried them to the punch table, where they were served with sandwiches and punch by Mrs. Lovick Smith and Mrs. Archie Lewis. Miss Emma Bouknight directed them to the parlor where the receiving line stood, and in this was Mrs. Julius Vann, Mrs. Roper Day, Mrs. Dorian Swearingen, Mrs. Chas. Earley and the two hostesses. After greeting these Miss Mabel Satcher carried all to the dining room, which was a bower of loveliness. Here ices and cake in pink and macaroons were served. The entire affair was one of great beauty, and about seventy five ladies called during the afternoon.

Mesdames J. G. Edwards and Lovick Smith visited here Saturday and attended the reception given for Mrs. Vann.

The recent meeting of the Apollo music club held at "Mulberry Hill," the home of Miss Emma Bouknight, was a most delightful one, and the cordial hostess arranged several pleasant features. During the business the chief point was in deciding on the course of study for the coming year. The subject will be "The lives of all the greatest singers of the different countries, with the operas and oratorios in which they have taken a part." The program, which was in charge of Miss Sallie Heyward, was an open one, and proved most enjoyable, there being several papers prepared and several musical selections. Later all were invited into the dining room, which was pretty in decorations of red and white, red shaded candles being used. Three little Red Cross nurses in uniform sang of their mission and work, and then served to all a delicious salad course with iced tea. The guests were reluctant to leave such pleasant surroundings.

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SOUNDS WARNING.

District Attorney J. Wm. Thurmond Gives Law on Conscription measure. Lying is Serious.

District Attorney J. W. Thurmond sounded a striking warning to all slackers when he issued a statement concerning the regulations and penalties of the conscription proclamation. He emphasizes especially the penalty for making a false statement on the registration blank, whose penalties will be within discretion of the government.

Full text of Mr. Thurmond's note is as follows:

Attention of all the people of the Western District of South Carolina is hereby directed to the principles of law deducible from the legislation of congress and the proclamation of President Wilson and Governor Manning relative to the registration of males from whom the selective draft for the army is to be made: To wit:

1. The county boards of registration consist of the clerk of court and judge of probate of the respective counties and a chairman appointed by the governor, and the duties of this board, among other things, are to appoint a registrar for each election precinct.

2. Any of the officers are agents of the United States, or of the several states and subdivisions thereof, designated or appointed under regulations prescribed by the president himself or by the governor or other officers of any State or Territory, are required to perform any duties in the execution of the selective draft provisions of the War Army act, and any such designated person failing or neglecting to perform his duty fully in the premises, is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in the United States having jurisdiction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment of not more than one year; and any person charged with such duty or having and exercising any authority under said act, regulations or directions, who shall knowingly make or be a party to the making of any false or incorrect registration, physical examination, exemption, enlistment, enrollment, or muster, are subject to said penalties.

3. Any person who shall make or be a party to the making of any false statement or certificate as to the fitness or liability of himself or any other person for the service under the provisions of said act of congress or regulations made by the president thereunder or otherwise evades or aids another to evade the requirements of said act or said regulations, or who shall in any manner fail or neglect fully to perform any requirement of him in the execution of said act, shall suffer the penalties aforesaid.

4. June 5, 1917, from seven o'clock a. m. to nine o'clock p. m. is the day fixed for the registration of persons liable to selective draft.

5. The persons subject to registration are all males who shall have attained by the day aforesaid their 21st birthday and all who shall not have attained by that day their 31st birthday.

6. Every such person must present himself for and submit to registration on the day aforesaid, June 5, next, and truthfully and correctly fill in the blanks on the card that he signs, and if he claims exemption he must so state on his card.

7. Persons at home must register with the official in charge of the registration in his voting precinct.

8. Persons temporarily absent from his place of legal residence must fill as aforesaid a registration card, sign the same and mail to the proper registrar in time to reach him by the day named.

9. Persons prevented by their own sickness from presenting themselves for registration must apply to the clerk of court of their county before the day of registration and arrange to be registered on said day.

10. Those who are sojourning in cities of over 30,000 population may take their applications to the city clerk of the city where they are, instead of the clerk of the court of the county.

11. If any person whose duty it is to register as aforesaid, fails or neglects to do so, he shall not only

Will You be 21 June 5? Will you not be 31 June 5 next?

If so, You Are of the Military Age. So Post Yourself That You Can Answer the Following Questions Promptly.

1. Name in full (Given name) (Family name) Age, in years
2. Home Address (No.) (Street) (City) (State) Date of birth (Month) (Day) (Year)
3. Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien or have you declared your intention
4. (Specify which?)
5. Where were you born? (Town) (State) (Nation)
6. If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?
7. What is your present trade, occupation, or office?
8. By whom employed? Where employed?
9. Have you a father, mother, wife, child under twelve, or a sister or brother under twelve, solely dependent on you for support (Specify which?)
10. Married or single (which?) Race (Specify which?)
11. What military service have you had? Rank? Branch? Years? Nation or State?
12. Do you claim exemption from draft (Specify grounds?)

Study these 12 questions carefully. Read them to every person of military age who cannot read. Tell of them to the colored boys you know.

These are the questions you (of military age) must answer on June 5. If you are single, blind or deaf, rich or poor, Chinese or Indian, citizen or foreigner, must register. THERE IS NO EXCEPTION IN REGISTRATION.

be subject to the penalties aforesaid, but in addition thereto will be liable to be drafted in the regular army.

12. All male persons of the ages designated aforesaid must register in the manner aforesaid, the only exceptions being officers and enlisted men of the regular army, navy, national guard, and naval militia while in the service of the United States; and the fact that a person claims exemption under said selective draft provisions, does not excuse him from registering. A claim of exemption must be passed on by the proper officers.

Newspapers, employers and other persons are requested to publish and promulgate the principles of law aforesaid, deduced from said act of congress, and the proclamation of President Wilson and Governor Manning.

It has not been determined positively when the first draft will be made, though about September 1st has been guessed as the time, and it is supposed that one in twenty registered will be called at that time by lot.

Farmers and all other persons employing negroes are requested to see that such as are liable to registration be registered, for the negroes should, and no doubt are willing to, bear their part of the burden of the war.

We should proceed in this war work with seriousness, of course, coupled with the highest enthusiasm and determined that the American flag shall at the end of this war be what it has always been, the symbol of victory.

Our president in his said proclamation, among other things, says "the power against which we are arrayed has sought to impose its will upon the world by force." Of course, parents will be grieved to see their fine boys march away, but they could not be engaged in a nobler cause, and I believe that the parents of our young men inheriting patriotism from their ancestors, whose achievements are recorded on the brightest pages in the world's history, will offer their sons to their country ungrudgingly, and may the great God of all return them to their homes unblemished and covered with glory after winning the great victory known to the world for liberty, humanity, christianity and America.

J. WILLIAM THURMOND, United States Attorney.

Edgefield's First Baby Day.

Edgefield's first baby was a great success. Everybody co-operated. The main thing was the baby. These came to the number of thirty-three, and were from various parts of our county. The following are the names of the children who were examined:

Arthur Welling LaGrone, Joseph Seigler, Lois Rives, Frances Janita Kirkland, Batesburg, Sarah Nicholson, Annie Nicholson, A. R. Nicholson, Jr., Grady Corley, Augustus Corley, Hannah Wright, John Graddon Alford, Jr., Irene Harling, George Ervin Cantelon, John Horde Allen, Janie Fuller, Ansel Seigler, Hugh Seigler, Lucy May Harling, Helen Dunovant, Helen Deal, Aileen Graham of Johnston, Catharine Mims, Augustus Graddon, Columbia, Ruth Kemp, Lovie Smith, Jr., John Sheppard Nicholson, Emily Dunovant, John Barras Kirkland, Batesburg, Willie Brittain Reardon, Sarah Caroline Holston, Esther Rubenstein, Frances Willard Johnson.

The doctors and dentists were extremely kind and gave their whole morning to the task of examining the babies. Drs. Tompkins, Edwards, Nicholson, and Drs. Corley and Byrd were assiduous in their attention to the babies. Dr. Marsh would have been present but was called over to Saluda.

After each child was examined their mothers were presented with a blank report filled out indicating the exact condition of the child. Dinner was served in the empty store adjoining L. T. May and about \$20.00 was taken in.

At three o'clock Dr. Jane Bruce Guignard of Columbia, who had been met at Trenton by Mrs. J. B. Kennerly and Mrs. D. B. Hollingsworth, lectured on the broad subject of "Better Babies," and an interested assemblage of mothers were present to receive benefit from this rare opportunity.

Dr. Guignard is a very popular and successful physician in Colum-

HORN'S CREEK.

Refreshed by Needed Showers. Mr. John Mays Injured by Fall. Sickness in Community.

How we are all rejoicing over the much needed showers of rain that fell on Saturday last.

We are sorry to report that such a small crowd came out to Horn's Creek church Sunday to hear Rev. Joe Gaines. He preached a grand and inspiring sermon.

Mr. John Mays had the misfortune on last Friday to fall and break his arm in two places, also a rib. He is suffering a great deal of pain.

On last Friday night Mrs. Jessie Crafton entertained a few of her young friends in honor of her guests, Misses Ethel Glover, Una Ryan and Anna Roper, the former returning to Edgefield on Sunday afternoon, carrying with her the heart of a certain young man, and whose heart she says she is going to wear in her shoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nicholson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Fair, leaving with them their son to spend some time with his grand parents.

Mrs. Paul Hammond, who has been sick for quite a while, is now with her home folks while under the treatment of Dr. R. H. Nicholson of your town.

Others that are on the sick list are as follows: Mrs. J. N. Fair, little Mary Frances Ozuts, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Ozuts. We hope for them all a speedy recovery.

Miss Lena Lanham is spending some time in the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Wells.

Miss Ruth Smith has returned her sister's at Red Hill.

Miss Lila Roper leaves now soon to visit her sister in New York. She will be gone for quite awhile.

The writer is very sorry to learn that the public put the wrong construction on the piece that came out in print last week in regard to Mr. Herbert C. Peddle winning the heart of a certain young lady. The writer did not mean that they had indulged in the so-called matrimony.

A certain bachelor just across the way asked me to announce his marriage, but he failed to give the writer the name of his future intended and date of the happy occasion. I hope to be able to announce it in the near future.

Miss Lula Roper from the Horns' Creek section is the guest of Mrs. W. H. Moss.

Mr. D. R. Day is in Anderson serving as juror in the U. S. court.

Loving congratulations are being waited for by Mrs. Chester Swearingen upon the arrival of a lovely baby girl.

A recent visit from Mrs. J. H. White of Johnston in the interest of Woman's service has resulted in a second meeting on yesterday afternoon when plans were made to get down regularly to work.

All the exercises took place in the court house, and the evening lecture on "How the young may remain young, and the old grow young again," was given by Dr. Sophia Brunson, of Sumter, one of the leading practitioners of that progressive city.

Dr. Brunson was already well known in Edgefield, town and county, and beloved by many relatives and friends in this and adjoining communities.

The lecture was delightful from beginning to end, full of humor, pathos and practical value. Dr. Brunson is cultured and full of a broad love for humanity, and has courage and a large experience which makes her advice of great worth, and it is given so charmingly that one forgets it is the prosaic subject of health to which they are listening.

The Civic League very generously prepared a booth from which a committee of ladies dispensed splendid literature to all the mothers present.

The day was pronounced a great success.

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TRENTON TOPICS.

W. C. T. U. Met. Mothers' Day to be Observed. Entertainment by School Improvement Association.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Anna Eidson Tuesday, having a very delightful as well as an important meeting. The model membership contest came to a close, with the enrollment of ten or twelve new members. Plans were made for flower mission day and from indications our union will be well represented at the county home picnic. Mothers day will be celebrated on the 17th of June with Mrs. J. D. Mathis as hostess. Mrs. L. D. Crouch gave a beautiful reading which was much enjoyed. At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Eidson and Mrs. Leslie Eidson served delicious refreshments.

The sickness of little Callie Wise is the source of deep anxiety to the friends of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wise.

Mr. and Mrs. Glass, from Columbia were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Day for the beautiful wedding of Miss Beatrice Stevens and Mr. J. M. Vann.

Mrs. J. D. Mathis Jr., and little James Elbert are spending this week with Mrs. Mathis' father, Mr. J. E. Timmerman.

The W. C. T. U. is arranging to have Mrs. Phillips Carroll from Augusta to give her lecture "Echoes from Dixie" the latter part of June.

Misses Addie and Rubye Asbill from Monetta have been recent guests of Misses Elee and Ray Swearingen.

Mrs. Leslie Eidson is at home after a visit to relatives in North Augusta.

Mrs. Elvora Vinosta are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Swearingen.

Miss Emma Bouknight will go to Washington in June for a week's visit.

A treat in store for Trentonites is a play soon to be put on for the benefit of the School Improvement Association. The play is known as the "Colored Suffragettes," and Trenton's best talent is included.

Miss Effie Privette's friends are regretting that she has returned to her home in Darlington.

The D. A. R. will meet with Mrs. T. P. Salter on Thursday afternoon of this week.

Miss Julia Wise spent the weekend with Miss Annie Laurie Walker at Belvidere.

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Winthrop College Scholarship and Entrance Examination.

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College for the admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 6, at 9 a. m. Applicants must not be less than 16 years of age. When scholarships are vacant after July 6 they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarships should write to President Johnson for scholarship examination blanks. These blanks properly filled out by the applicant should be filed with President Johnson by July 1.

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